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16.	Khirsara	Jamanagar	
17.	Mandasani	"	
18.	Baghla	"	
19.	Motingajhar	"	
20.	Mota Barunkia	"	
21.	Mandorna	Junagarh	Commissioned
22.	Kanesar	Godhra	
23.	Ratanpur	"	
24.	Baska	"	
25.	Virania	"	
26.	Pansar	Mehsana	
27.	Rajpur	"	
28.	Runwara	"	
29.	GIDC Lodhika	Rajkot	
30.	Vadasar	"	
31.	Nani-Parvadi	"	
32.	Khokhadar	"	
33.	Ambaradi	"	
34.	Vajrangjhalia	"	
35.	Arab Timbdi	"	
36.	Jamdadar	"	
37.	Dedava	"	
38.	Unchchhal	"	Commissioned
39.	Khajed	"	
40.	Kherava	Surendranagar	
41.	Ramgadh	"	
42.	Issanpur	"	
43.	Adiruyana	"	
44.	Sili	Valsad	Commissioned
45.	Vandervadla	"	-do-
46.	Kukrali	"	
47.	Pindval	"	
48.	Ambajangal	"	
49.	Pangalwari	"	

[Translation]

Construction Work of Over Bridge in Nagda

4156. DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the present status of over bridge being constructed at Nagda under Western Railways;

(b) the time by which the above bridge is likely to be completed;

(c) the time by which the construction work of foot over bridge connecting Birlagram and Nagda Mandi is likely to be renovated; and

(d) the present status of renovation of platform at Nagda station?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Progress of Railway portion 80%.

(b) Railway portion will be completed by June, 97.

(c) The foot over bridge does not require renovation.

(d) No such work has been taken up at Nagda.

[English]

Proper Berthing of Trains

4157. SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any procedure/criteria for proper berthing of the trains on different platforms at Delhi, New Delhi and Hazrat Nizamuddin Railway Stations;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether at the time of preparing the berthing sheet the passenger trains are equally distributed on each platform on these stations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) to (d). Yes, Sir. When preparing berthing sheet, the express and Passenger trains are distributed on platforms at Delhi, New Delhi and Hazrat Nizamuddin stations keeping in view the availability of platform, duration of halt of train, destination of train etc. The actual berthing of platforms however gets changed some times due to late running, detention outside station and other operation exigencies at the stations.

Daily running of New Delhi-Puri Express Train

4158. SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware of the demand of the people to run New Delhi-Puri Express daily instead of four days a week;

(b) if so, whether any steps have been taken to provide another rake to fulfil this demand;

(c) whether any steps have been taken to attach AC-3 coaches with it;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) and (b). Some representations have been received in this regard. Increasing the frequency of 2815/2816 New Delhi-Puri Express has been examined but not found feasible on account of operational constraints.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e). Due to technical difficulties as AC 3-tier coaches are having air brake system whereas Puri Express is running with vacuum brake rakes.

Setting up of Terminal Station at Tala

4159. SHRI TARIT BARAN TOPDAR : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any steps are being taken to set up a Terminal Station at Tala on the circular Railway track to operate EMU service;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the progress of the work in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Proposal is under consideration.

(c) Does not arise.

Running of Train Via Grand Chord

4160. SHRI HARADHAN ROY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are considering to run 2305/2306 via Grand Chord instead of main line;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that demands have been raised from different quarters to run this train via Grand Chord to save foreign exchange (fuel) and increase revenue;

(c) if so, the steps taken in this direction; and

(d) if not, the justification of running this train via main line after introduction of 2309/2310?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) 2309/2310 Rajdhani Express provides bi-weekly service between New Delhi and Patna via Lucknow and Varanasi.

[Translation]

Airstrips at Chakarbhata Airport in M.P.

4161. SHRI PUNNU LAL MOHLE : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to develop airstrips at the Chakarbhata airport of Bilaspur district in Madhya Pradesh to facilitate operation of flights;

(b) whether the Government also propose to equip it with full facilities;

(c) if so, the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon alongwith the details thereof;

(d) the time by which approval is likely to be accorded in this regard and the airstrip is proposed to be developed;

(e) whether some private companies had sent proposals to undertake operation of flights from the said airport;

(f) whether the said private companies were operating their flights from the said airport earlier; and

(g) if so, the reasons for discontinuation of flights at the said airport?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) and (b). The existing airstrip at Bilaspur airport is suitable for 50 seater aircraft. There is no proposal to upgrade this airstrip due to lack of traffic potential.

(c) and (d). Do not arise.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) and (g). Do not arise.

[English]

Funds for Construction of Road Over Bridge at Rayagada

4162. SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the funds provided by the Union Government and the Government of Orissa for construction of Road over-bridge at Rayagada town under South Eastern Railway so far, year-wise;

(b) whether the construction of the over-bridge has been completed but the road portion of the bridge is yet to be completed;

(c) if so, the reasons for delay in opening the bridge for traffic; and

(d) the alternative a arrangement made by the Railway authorities for movement of general public by feet, rickshaw and cycles while replacing existing level crossing thereof?